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[Despatch Abstract.]

Forests Pastures and Fodder

Recommendation of the Senior Forest Officers conference — Paper Recorded

Abstract:

Forests - Pasture and Fodder - Recommendations of the Senior Forest Officers Conference - Papers recorded.

Development Department.

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G.O.Ms.No.2019 Dated the 18th May 1950.

Read:--

(i) From the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture Letter No.F.6-11/46-F, dated 16/19-12-47.
(ii) From the Chief Conservator of Forest letter No.7447/47-12, dated 4-8-49.
(iii) From the Director of Agriculture L.Dis.580/49, dated 26th July 1949.
(iv) From the Director of Animal Husbandry L.Dis.4708 IV/49 dated 10-10-49.
(v) From the Board of Revenue Ref.F.P.IIA 2885/49 -2, dated 6-12-1949.
(vi) From the Board of Revenue Rout 2097 dated 4-4-50.

ORDER:

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(By Order of His Excellency the Governor).

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Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Conservator of Forest, Madras.
Copy to the Board of Revenue.
Copy to the Director of Agriculture.
Copy to the Director of Animal Husbandry.

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Superintendent.

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TC. Shankar 6/8/52.

NOTE FILE

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

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In the second Senior Forest Officers' Conference held at Dehra Dun in November 1946, the following resolutions among others were passed:--

(1) Famine conditions should be notified at the latest by the end of October every year

(2) District scarcity reports should be scrutinised carefully.

(3) The supply and condition of baling presses should be taken stock of immediately so as to build up an adequate supply for normal years and also an emergency reserve;

(4) (a) Rotational Closures in all forests and waste lands subject to over-grazing should be fostered.

(b) Village forests from which local fodder can be obtained should be established

(c) Widespread soil and rain fall measures should be carried out to increase the fodder potential of both cultivated and waste lands.

(5) Experiments should be conducted to assess the value of coarse grasses like saccharum munja and Saccharam Spontaneoum to be used as fodder with molasses or oil cake.

2. While forwarding a copy of the above resolutions, the Govt. of India invited special attention to the resolutions ~~in this respect~~ concerning the administrative policy including the one on "pasure and fodder". The C.C.F., the D.A.H. and the Board of Revenue were consulted in the matter. Their replies are on pp. 11-15 and pp. 19-23 c.f.

3. The case is noted on below:-

Item (i) in para 1 above: The Board of Revenue has stated that seasonal conditions are being watched very closely by the Revenue Officers and that action is being initiated at the earliest possible time when distress is noticed. In its opinion, no departure from the existigg practice is necessary. No action seems therefore called for. For orders.

Item (2) in para 1 above: The Board of Revenue has pointed out that the reports from the District Collectors are very carefully scrutinised and verified by personal inspection wherever necessary by the Board members and that the accuracy of the reports is ensured. No action seems therefore called for on this item. For orders.

Item (3) in para 1 above: The C.C.F. has reported that there are now 25 hay baling presses with the Forest Dept. (15 Stevenson presses and 10 Chennappa presses), that they ~~are~~ were not in proper working condition as they were purchased in 1934 and that it is necessary to stock a dozen more new Stevenson presses and to get the old ones repaired with necessary fittings and spare parts. The Board agrees with the C.C.F. on the need to obtain and keep in stock about a dozen new Stevenson Presses and also to keep the old ones in working condition. It however considers it desirable that the matter should be pursued further by the C.C.F. It has however pointed out that the Special Officer for Fodder of the grade of a Collector recommended for appointment by the Fodder and Grazing Committee recently can tackle the question of stocking baling presses later on. The file relating to the appointment of a Special Officer for Fodder operations, is being dealt with in Revenue Department. That Department may take relevant extracts examine the question further.

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Item 4(a) in para 1 above: The C.C.F. has stated that rotational grazing has been introduced in Reserved forests wherever possible and that it is impracticable to foster rotational closures over Govt. waste lands. The C.C.F's view may be accepted as proposed at "D" on p. 5 above.

Item 4(b) in para 1 above: The C.C.F. considers that it would be impracticable now to establish village forests for the production of leaf fodder for the following reasons:--

(1) Large areas have to be acquired near each village and artificial plantations at great cost have to be ~~maintained~~ raised.

(2) A special vigilance staff has to be appointed.

(3) The general demand from the public is for more and more disreservation of forest areas. He has however pointed

out that in the rehabilitation of the panchayat forests, the needs of the village will receive foremost attention. In the circumstances, no action seems called for.

Item 4(c) in para 1 above: The C.C.F. stated in May 1949 that the recommendation was connected with the soil conservation policy of the Govt. and that the suggestions contained in the report of the experts of the Government of India after their tour in the Province in September 48 were under examination separately. It was then ordered that as action would be taken on the C.C's report on its receipt in the section concerned, no further action was necessary. In view of these orders no action is called for on this item also.

I presume that report has been received now. cd

Item 5 in para 1 above: The D.A. has reported that of the 2 species of coarse grasses, one variety (Saccharum Kunja) is not found in Madras, while the other (Saccharum Spontaneum) is a bad weed with poor feeding value. The D.A.H. has promised to conduct experiments with Saccharum Spontaneum when the nutrition section starts functioning at the Hosur Cattle Farm. He will no doubt report the results to Govt. in due course. No further action seems called for now.

The papers may be recorded after perusal by H.M.(Prohb). Revenue may see ~~before~~ before circulation With reference to A on p. 2 above

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Revenue Department.

To A.S.

Please see the typed notes from p. 1 ante. The file has been sent to this Dept. with ref. to A on p. 2 ante. Orders have since issued turning down the Board's proposal for the appointment of a Special Officer in the Grade of a Collr. to tackle the fodder problems in the season ~~affected~~ affected districts. The Board of Revenue has been informed of it. No action seems called for in this department. The file may be returned to Development.

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Development Department

Notes from p. 4 above may be perused. The case may

be circulated to H.M. (Porh.) before the papers are recorded.

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H.M.(Pro.).

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Orders in circulation above.

A draft order is submitted for approval.

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Superintendent.

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M K Shankar 7/8/52
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